

## **10,000 Maniacs** **"National Education Week"**

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Honor salute and speak  
To the corner standing flag  
Do you remember how  
The days of school were  
Indivisible separate worlds

Compare contrast  
These dreams absurd  
Placid classroom faces  
Breathe in the features  
Of a demographics death map trilogy

Children read them well  
Not to bury 3 of 4 sons  
As the likes of chivalry  
Not to take 6 of 30 bills  
To manufacture Corpus Christi

And so you think it can be so serene  
History's most intolerable famine  
Has clutched our global tranquility  
Reaped the lives of children  
Maladies collaborate  
With cyclic despair

Infanticide clamors to 20 times more  
In 4th and 5th Worlds  
The poor have always been  
Beside us, amid us

Death has always been  
As million cease 15 million  
That's an annual reap  
Add divide multiply sum 41 thousand

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